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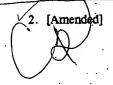
Agent for Applicant acknowledges receipt of office action dated May 22, 2000 and responds as follows:

<u>AMENDMENT TO CL</u>

Agent for Applicant respectfully requests the following amendments to the claims without adding any new subject matter, namely:

1: [Twice Amended]

A method of cutting pattern pieces from a continuous roll of material comprising the steps of unrolling said material unto a rotating cylindrical cutting surface, and then [cutting said material while said material is in rolling contact on said cylindrical surface during rotation of said cylindrical surface] moving cutting means across said cylindrical cutting surface to cut said material, while rotating said cylindrical surface in one direction only.



A method as claimed in claim 1 [wherein said rotating cylindrical surface includes] including the steps of producing a vacuum [means] internally of said rotating cylindrical surface for communicating with said material.

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